MINUTES OF HOUSE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Room 30, House Building February 5, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair

Rep. Lowry Snow, Vice Chair

Rep. Rich Cunningham Rep. Steve Eliason Rep. Greg H. Hughes Rep. Bradley G. Last Rep. David Lifferth

Rep. Carol Spackman Moss

Rep. Jim Nielson Rep. Val Peterson Rep. Marie H. Poulson Rep. Kraig Powell Rep. Dean T. Sanpai Rep. Keven Stratton

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rep. Patrice Arent

Rep. Dan McCay

STAFF PRESENT: Constance C. Steffen, Policy Analyst

Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: List of visitors and copy of handouts are filed with committee minutes.

Vice Chair Snow called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to approve the minutes of January 30, 2013. The motion passed unanimously with Rep. Eliason, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Last, Rep. Moss, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

H.B. 275 Health Insurance for Schools (*Rep. J. Bird*)

MOTION: Rep. Gibson moved to replace **H.B. 275** with 2nd Substitute **H.B. 275**. The motion passed with Rep. Nielson voting in opposition and Rep. Hughes, Rep. Moss, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Stratton absent for the vote.

Rep. Bird introduced the bill which amends the duties of local school boards, relating to health insurance, in the State System of Public Education Code.

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Mr. Burke Jolley, Business Manager, Jordan School District, commented on the bill.

The following spoke in opposition to the bill:

Ms. Patti Harrington, Utah School Superintendent's Association

Ms. Peggy Jo Kennett, Utah School Boards Association

Mr. Zane Woolstenhume, Business Manager, Logan School District

Mr. Mike Sonntag, Utah Association of Health Underwriters, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Hughes moved to pass out **2nd Substitute H.B. 275** with a favorable recommendation. The motion failed with Rep. Cunningham, Rep. Eliason, Rep. Gibson, Rep. Hughes, Rep. Peterson, Rep. Sanpei, and Rep. Stratton voting in support of the motion.

H.B. 285 Modification of Education-related Reporting Requirements (Rep. F. Gibson)

Rep. Gibson introduced the bill which eliminates various education-related reports.

Dr. Martell Menlove, State School Superintendent, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Poulson moved to pass the bill out with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: Rep. Nielson moved to place the bill on the Consent Calendar. The motion passed unanimously.

H.B. 298 Parent Seminar on Youth Protection (Rep. S. Eliason)

MOTION: Rep. Eliason moved to amend the bill as follows:

- 1. Page 1, Lines 18 through 20:
 - report on the program to the Education Interim Committee; {-and-}
 - requires a school district to notify charter schools located within the school district's
 - 20 boundaries of the parent seminar $\{-\}$; and
 - <u>▶ allows a school district to opt out of providing the parent seminar if the local</u> school board determines the seminar is not needed in its district.
- 2. Page 2, Line 33:
 - 33 (1) (a) {A} Except as provided in Subsection (5), a school district shall

offer a seminar for parents of students in the school

- 3. Page 2, Line 56 through Page 3, Line 63:
 - (3) The State Board of Education shall report to the Legislature's Education Interim
 - 57 Committee, by the November 2013 meeting, on the progress of implementation of the parent
 - 58 <u>seminar</u> <u>, including if a local school board has opted out of providing the parent seminar, as described in Subsection (5), and the reasons why a local school board opted out <u>.</u></u>
 - 59 (4) The State Board of Education shall report to the Legislature's Education Interim
 - 60 Committee by the November 2014 meeting on { the } :
 - 61 (a) the progress of implementation of the parent seminar;
 - 62 (b) the estimated attendance reported by each school district; {-and-}
 - 63 (c) <u>a</u> recommendation of whether to continue the parent seminar program {:} ; and
 - (d) if a local school board has opted out of providing the parent seminar, as described in Subsection (5), and the reasons why a local school board opted out.
 - (5)(a) A school district is not required to offer the parent seminar if the local school board determines that the topics described in Subsection (2) are not of significant interest or value to families in the school district.
 - (b) If a local school board chooses not to offer the parent seminar, the local school board shall notify the State Board of Education and provide the reasons why the local school board chose not to offer the parent seminar.

The motion passed unanimously.

Rep. Eliason introduced the bill which requires a school district to implement a parent seminar on various issues.

The following spoke in support of the bill:

Dr. David Doty, Superintendent, Canyons School District

Ms. Pamela Atkinson, Chair of the Utah Coalition Against Pornography

Dr. Martell Menlove, State School Superintendent, commented on the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Cunningham moved to pass the bill out as amended with a favorable recommendation. The motion passed with Rep. Nielson, Rep. Peterson, and Rep. Stratton voting in opposition to the motion.

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MOTION: Rep. Nielson moved to adjourn. The vote was unanimous. Vice Chair Snow adjourned the meeting at 3:58. p.m.

Rep. Francis Gibson, Chair